

**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:18 p.m. and reconvened at 8:41 p.m.

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**State of the Union Address:** President Barack Obama delivered his State of the Union address to a joint session of Congress, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 75. He was escorted into the House Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives Cantor, McCarthy (CA), Walden, Lankford, Jenkins, Foxx, Pelosi, Hoyer, Clyburn, Becerra, Crowley, Israel, and DeLauro and Senators Reid, Durbin, Schumer, Murray, Bennet, Stabenow, Begich, McConnell, Cornyn, Thune, Blunt, and Barrasso. The President's message was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 113–82).

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1439.

**Senate Referral:** S. 1901 was held at the desk.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1457–58, H1458, H1458–59, H1471, and H1472. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:27 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **REBALANCING TO THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Rebalancing to the Asia-Pacific Region: Examining Its Implementation”. Testimony was heard from Frank Kendall, Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Department of Defense; and Michael D. Lumpkin, Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Department of Defense; and VADM Frank Pandolfe, Director, Strategic Plans and Policy, Joint Staff.

### **PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA'S COUNTERSPACE PROGRAM AND THE IMPLICATIONS FOR U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces; and Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a joint hearing entitled “The People's Republic of China's Counterspace Program and the Implications for U.S. National Security”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **A PROGRESS REPORT ON THE WAR ON POVERTY: EXPANDING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY**

*Committee on the Budget:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “A Progress Report on The War on Poverty: Expanding Economic Opportunity”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **KEEPING COLLEGE WITHIN REACH: SHARING BEST PRACTICES FOR SERVING LOW-INCOME AND FIRST GENERATION STUDENTS**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training held a hearing entitled “Keeping College Within Reach: Sharing Best Practices for Serving Low-income and First Generation Students”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Full Committee concluded markup on H.R. 3826, the “Electricity Security and Affordability Act”; and H.R. 2126, the “Better Buildings Act of 2013”. The bill H.R. 2126 was ordered reported, as amended; and the bill H.R. 3826 was ordered reported, without amendment.

### **SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Semi-Annual Report of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau”. Testimony was heard from Richard Cordray, Director, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF THE IRAN NUCLEAR DEAL**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Middle East and North Africa; and Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade held a hearing entitled “Implementation of the Iran Nuclear Deal”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **EXAMINING TSA'S CADRE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATORS**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Transportation Security held a hearing entitled “Examining TSA's Cadre of Criminal Investigators”. Testimony was heard from the following Homeland Security officials: Roderick Allison, Assistant Administrator, Office of Inspection, Transportation Security Administration; Karen Shelton Waters, Assistant Administrator, Office of Human Capital, Transportation Security Administration; and Anne Richards, Assistant Inspector General, Office of Audits.

## TOP MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES: GRANT MANAGEMENT AT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Top Management Challenges: Grant Management at the U.S. Department of Justice”. Testimony was heard from Michael E. Horowitz, Inspector General, Department of Justice.

## THE SCOPE OF FAIR USE

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property and the Internet held a hearing entitled “The Scope of Fair Use”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee held a markup on the following legislation: H.R. 163, the “Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act”; H.R. 2095, the “Land Disposal Transparency and Efficiency Act”; H.R. 2259, the “North Fork Watershed Protection Act of 2013”; H.R. 2657, the “Disposal of Excess Federal Lands Act of 2013”; and H.R. 3492, the “River Paddling Protection Act”; and a motion to consider Committee Print 113–1. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 163; H.R. 2095; H.R. 2259; and H.R. 3492. The following bill was ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 2657. The motion to consider Committee Print 113–1 was approved and adopted, as amended.

## DOCUMENTS DETAILING HEALTHCARE.GOV SECURITY VULNERABILITIES

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “A Roadmap for Hackers?—Documents Detailing Healthcare.gov Security Vulnerabilities”. This was a closed hearing.

## SMALL BUSINESS TRADE AGENDA: STATUS AND IMPACT OF INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade held a hearing entitled “Small Business Trade Agenda: Status and Impact of International Agreements”. Testimony was heard from James Sanford, Assistant United States Trade Representative, Small Business, Market Access and Industrial Competitiveness, Office of the Trade Representative.

## IMPROVING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION SAFETY GRANT PROGRAMS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing entitled “Improving the Effectiveness of the Federal Surface Transportation Safety Grant Programs”. Testimony was heard from Christopher A. Hart, Vice Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LEARNING FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR'S SUCCESSFUL APPROACH TO HIRING VETERANS

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “What can the Federal Government Learn from the Private Sector's Successful Approach to Hiring Veterans?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## IMPACT OF THE EMPLOYER MANDATE'S DEFINITION OF FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE ON JOBS AND OPPORTUNITIES

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Impact of the Employer Mandate's Definition of Full-time Employee on Jobs and Opportunities”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

### FARM BILL

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2642, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2018.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D75)

H.R. 3527, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the poison center national toll-free number, national media campaign, and grant program. Signed on January 24, 2014. (Public Law 113–77)

S. 230, to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs. Signed on January 24, 2014. (Public Law 113–78)